

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's Office Action of November 15, 2006 the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying terminal disclaimer and Amendment to the claims, and the below Remarks.

Specification

The applicant has updated Page 1 of the specification by replacing the paragraphs entitled "Co-Pending Applications" and "Cross-References" by new paragraphs. The docket numbers have been replaced by the corresponding US application numbers and US granted patent numbers, where applicable. The applicant submits that these amendments introduce no new matter.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:

independent claim 1 is amended to omit "the" from the recitation "at least two the printheads", and to specify that a casing of the claimed device incorporates the flat panel display and printer such that the printer is arranged within a viewable area of the flat panel display which displays images from an externally connected computer. Support for this amendment can be found in the section entitled Flat Panel Display Device with Integrated Printer at pages 20-25 of the present specification;

dependent claim 2 is amended to conform with amended claim 1; and

dependent claims 3-31 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment does not add any new matter to the present application.

Regarding Claim Objections

It is respectfully submitted that the above-described amendment to claim 1 to omit "the" from the recitation "at least two the printheads", provides the correction required by the Examiner.

Regarding Non-Statutory Double Patenting Rejections

With respect to the Examiner's provisional non-statutory double patenting rejections of pending claims 1 and 4-20 over claims 1, 3-13 and 15-18 of copending Application No. 11/922,968, the Applicant submits herewith a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c); the present application and Application No. 11/922,968 being commonly owned by the Applicant.

Regarding 35 USC 103(a) Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of amended independent claim 1, and claims 2-31 dependent therefrom, is not taught or suggested by Kashiwa (JP 08-267854) in view of any one or more of Morgavi (US 5,558,449), Minemoto et al. (US 6,188,569), Steinfeld et al. (US 6,508,552) and Rylander (US 5,602,572) for at least the following reasons.

As discussed above, independent claim 1 has been amended to specify that the casing of the flat panel display unit incorporates the flat panel display and the printer such that the printer is arranged within a viewable area of the flat panel display which displays images from an externally connected computer. In this way, the flat panel display unit is provided in a compact and user friendly manner, as is clearly illustrated in Figs. 16-20 and 24-27 and described in the section entitled Flat Panel Display Device with Integrated Printer at pages 20-25 of the present application.

On the other hand, Kashiwa merely discloses a computer having a built-in print station 9 and LCD 2, with the print station positioned within the computer body under a keyboard 1 and behind hinge part of an LCD case 3 of the LCD which mounts the LCD to the computer body (see Figure 1, abstract and paragraphs [0017]-[0019] of Kashiwa). Thus, the print station of Kashiwa is clearly not positioned within the viewable area of the LCD, as is required by amended independent claim 1.

Further, none of Morgavi, Minemoto, Steinfeld and Rylander teach or suggest incorporating a printer into a device casing having a flat panel display, let alone positioning the printer to be within the viewable area of the flat panel display. Thus, there is no motivation for one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the arrangement specifically disclosed by Kashiwa to result in the arrangement recited in amended independent claim 1, and claims 2-31 dependent therefrom.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections and rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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